



PATENT - Reply under 37 CFR 1.116  
Expedited Procedure – Examining Group 2851

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: Watson et al. )  
Serial No.: 09/658,615 )  
Filed: September 8, 2000 ) Art Unit  
For: MODULAR EXPOSURE APPARATUS WITH ) 2851  
REMOVABLE OPTICAL DEVICE AND )  
IMPROVED ISOLATION OF THE )  
OPTICAL DEVICE )  
Examiner: P. Kim )  
Attorney Docket: PA0362-US/11269.20 )

**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE AFTER FINAL REJECTION**  
**PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.116**

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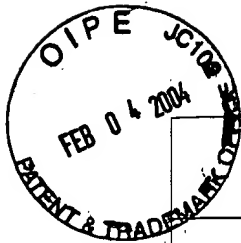
Sir:

This amendment and response is to the Office Action dated December 2, 2003. This amendment and response should be accorded expedited treatment because it is filed within two months of the date of the Final Office Action. The Applicants respectfully request that this Amendment and Response be considered after final rejection because the Applicants have complied with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.116. The Application, as amended, is believed by the Applicants to be in proper form for allowance. Please amend the above-captioned patent application as set forth below:

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Application Serial Number:	Filing Date:	Examiner:	Group Art Unit:
09/658,615	Sept. 8, 2000	Peter B. Kim	2851

Invention: MODULAR EXPOSURE APPARATUS WITH REMOVABLE OPTICAL DEVICE AND IMPROVED ISOLATION OF THE OPTICAL DEVICE

**TO THE COMMISSIONER OF PATENT AND TRADEMARKS:**

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application. The fee has been calculated as shown below.

**CLAIMS AS AMENDED**

	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	NUMBER OF EXTRA CLAIMS PRESENT	RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
TOTAL CLAIMS	112	MINUS	115	0	\$18	\$0
INDEP. CLAIMS	12	MINUS	13	0	\$86	\$0

\_\_\_ Petition is hereby made under 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the time for response to the Office Action of \_\_\_\_\_ to and through \_\_\_\_\_, comprising an extension of the shortened statutory period of:

\_\_\_ one month (\$110)      \_\_\_ three months (\$950)  
\_\_\_ two months (\$420)      \_\_\_ four months (\$1,480)

**TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT****\$0**

☒ The commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of the following fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-1141, pertaining to 1) any filing fees under 37 CFR 1.16 for the presentation of extra claims; 2) any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR 1.17.

☒ Any additional extension of time required for the timely submission of this paper, the fees for which have not been previously paid, is hereby petitioned for and requested.

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